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NEW BOOKS.

The Theory of Evolution. By W. B. SCOTT. New York: The Macmillan Co. Pp. 183. \$1.00.

This is a course of lectures which reviews the evidences on which the theory of evolution is based and the author deserves great praise in presenting the status of this theory among men of science in such a simple way that the general reader may follow it with ease and pleasure. After a general synopsis on the present status of the question the author discusses the evidences from comparative anatomy, from palæontology, from geographical distribution, from experiment, from blood tests and from embryology. It is illustrated and indexed.

A Table of Integrals. By RALPH G. HUDSON and JOSEPH LIPKA. New York: John Wiley & Sons. Pp. 25.

A Manual of Mathematics. By RALPH G. HUDSON and JOSEPH LIPKA. New York: John Wiley & Sons. Pp. 132.

The tables and formulas here found are taken from the *Engineer's Manual*, and cover mathematics, mechanics, hydraulics, heat and electricity. The smaller work is but a part of the larger.

Projective Geometry. By L. WAYLAND DOWLING. New York: McGraw Hill Book Co. Pp. xiii + 215. \$2.00.

This book is the outgrowth of the lectures given by Professor Dowling at the University of Wisconsin. While its primary purpose is to give prospective teachers of mathematics an insight into this field, it is also adapted for use by others.

The method is synthetic, and the text presupposes only elementary geometry and a slight knowledge of trigonometry. The work is well written, the explanations being clear and the book in general well adapted for its purpose.

Essentials of Mechanical Drawing. By L. J. SMITH. New York: The Macmillan Co. Pp. vi + 57. 50 cents.

The author of this text evidently believes in the value of mechanical drawing for all pupils. He has written a practical text for a short course designed to give the ability to read ordinary drawings and to make simple sketches. Part of the work does not even require the use of instruments. The book contains many excellent features, and opens an interesting field.

First Course in Algebra. By HERBERT E. HAWKES, WILLIAM A. LUBY, and FRANK C. TONTON. Boston: Ginn and Company. Pp. 301.

This is a revision of the earlier book by the same authors. It seems